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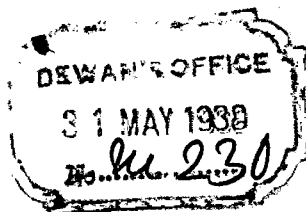
10 June 1938

SUBJECT

Transfers of certain police officers
in connection with the disturbances
at Vidwaswama on the 25 April
1938

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.

LATER REFERENCES.



DEWAN'S MINUTE.

FILE No.

193 .

With regard to the request of Mr. A.S. Ray
M.L. in P.S. the Police Inspector should
transfers from Kolar, I think, on further
consideration, M.L. may ask for the
Commissioner's opinion in the matter. If they
wish the transfer may be made, if M.
has the other way on. It seems to me
better to be guided by the Commissioner.

Please show me the first member.

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(Chief Secy)

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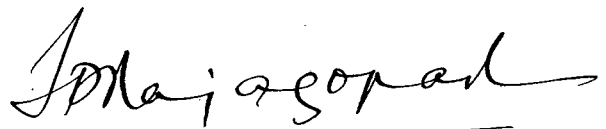
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Final Note by the First Member of Council.

Subject.—

Proposal to transfer certain Police Officers
from the Kolar District.

The Chairman of the Committee appointed to enquire into the recent disturbances at Vidhuraswatha has forwarded for orders of Government a letter from Mr. L.S. Raju, Advocate, suggesting that, in the interests of justice and with a view to create a favourable atmosphere for giving evidence, the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, the Inspector of Police, Goribidnur Taluk, and the Sub Inspector of Police, Goribidnur Taluk, be transferred to some place outside the District. The Committee, who were consulted in the matter, are of opinion that it is expedient to transfer the officers in question, - together or one by one. It is accordingly proposed to transfer the Inspector and the Sub Inspector of Police at once, and the District Superintendent of Police a few days later. The Dewan has agreed to the proposal, and it may be graciously approved.



MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Camp Mysore,
14th June 1938.

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Submitted to His Highness.



*I submit herewith a Final Note by the First
Member of Council on the subject of the proposal
to transfer certain Police Officers from the Kolar Dis-
trict,
for His Highness' gracious approval.*

Mysore,)
14th June 1938.)

Minja M. Smai
Dewan.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of
His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

Transfer of certain Police Officers
from the Kolar District.

Chief Mag
Mr
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No. 732

Mr
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Order.

KRU

15/6/38

Serial
No.

Draft D.O. to Inspector General of Police
is made.

Done
17/6.

Draft seen by Mr I Members
Done 17/6.38

No. 4296 dated 17.6.38

The Inspector-General of Police

Requests him to take early action
to transfer the Inspector and the Sub-Inspector
of Police, Gori Bidanur and to suggest proposals
for the transfer of the Dt. Supt. of Police, Kolar.

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SUBJECT:—

Transfer of certain Police Officers from
the Kolar District.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders ~~before~~ ^{*} / after issue of orders. (Vide Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

[Signature]
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....Department.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

[Signature]
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SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Transfers of certain St. Supts of Police

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Serial
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Letter dated 22nd June 1938 from the
Inspector General of Police, submitting
proposals regarding the transfer of certain
St. Supts. of Police.

Ch. Secy's orders on the P. & D.

" Submit with draft today to 1st Member "

(Dd) H.V.R. 22/6.

The proposals of the Inspector General of Police
are the following : -

<u>Name of officer</u>	<u>Present Charge</u>	<u>Charge^{now} proposed to be posted.</u>
(1) Mr A. S. Khaleel	D. S. P. Kolar	D. S. P. French Roe
(2) " R. Muthoji Rao Scindia	D. S. P. French Rocks	D. S. P. Tumkur
(3) " N. Puttarangaswamy	D. S. P. Tumkur	D. S. P. Kolar.

A draft of Notification put up.

K. M.R.
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I Member
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Serial
No.

No. 4314 dated 22-6-38

The compiler, Mysore Gazette

Notifies the transfers and postings of certain D.
Superintendents of Police,

No 4315-20 dated 22-6-38.

The D. G. of Police

The Comptroller Mysore

The Secy. V. D. E. Committee

The D. C. Mysore

" Kolar D.

" Tumkur D.

I enclose a copy of the above Conf B

Encl 1.

**CENTRAL COLLEGE
BUILDINGS,**

Bangalore, May 30, 193⁸.

Dear Mr. Rajagopalachari,

I enclose herewith, for such action as Government may deem fit to take, the letter in original of Mr. L.S. Raju, No. Gl. 208 dated 28th instant suggesting the transfer of the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, and the Police Inspector of Goribidnur Taluk.

I have consulted my colleagues and we feel that it is not for us to express any opinion in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ramsey

It is not for us to
I have a talk
about this with the D.C.
+ Mr K Ramaswami. They
are quite opposed to the
transfer. I agree with
them.

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reply will be S. P. Rajagopalachari, B.A., B.L.,
sent to Su Vafa First Member of Council,

Bangalore

that I at see no
sufficient reason for
transferring them at
this stage when the enquiry
is going on. (4 explained this & he is
to be quite satisfied)
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L.S. RAJU M.A., (HONS) B.L.

ADVOCATE.

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RESIDENCE:- "SITA-VILAS"

BASAVANGUDI P. O.

(BANGALORE)

"LAKSHMI STHANAM"

OFFICE: KASI VISVESWAR TEMPLE LANE,

CHICKPET.

Bangalore City.

28th May 1938.

No. Gl. 208.

To

SIR VEPA RAMESAM,
Chairman, Viduraswatha
Disturbances Enquiry Committee,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

Further to my oral representations yesterday before the commencement of the proceedings in the public enquiry, I write this letter regarding the same matter as I was given to understand that it would facilitate the object in view.

During the spot inspection on the 26th instant, definite information was given by several persons to the effect that at the time of the first firing - neither the Deputy Commissioner nor the Sub-Division Officer was in the spot. It was further stated that the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, the Police Inspector, Goribidnur Taluk, and the Amildar, Goribidnur Taluk, were solely responsible for the first firing. One portion of the evidence on behalf

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of the public will relate to this aspect, and during the spot inspection on the 26th instant at Viduraswatha the conversations which we had with those who are instructing us in this connection, definitely gave me and my colleagues the impression that in the interests of justice and certainly with a view to create a favourable atmosphere for giving evidence with a view to let in the truth in the matter, it is very necessary, expedient and desirable that the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, the Police Inspector, Goribidnur Taluk, and the Sub-Inspector of Police, Goribidnur Taluk, should be transferred to some place outside the District, especially the District Superintendent of Police.

In writing this letter I shall be glad if it is clearly understood that no aspersions are intended to be cast against the said officers at this stage. It is only with a view to facilitate the adducing of proper evidence by direct witnesses in the matter that I venture to put forward this suggestion, and I earnestly hope that the Government will do the needful in the matter forthwith as they have been already pleased to do in respect of other officers, such as, the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, Sub-Division Officer,

Kolar,

Kolar, and the Amildar, Goribidnur Taluk. This would greatly help me and my colleagues in - co-operating with the task before the Committee.

Yours faithfully,

L. S. Raju

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S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI, B.A., B.L.,
Member of Council.



PUBLIC OFFICES,
Bangalore, 31st May 1938.

Encl: One letter.

Not to me
now.
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Dear Sir V. Ramesam,

May thanks for your D. O. letter No.69 of the 30th May 1938 enclosing Mr. L.S.Raju's letter in original suggesting the transfer of the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, and the Inspector and the Sub-Inspector of Police, Goribidnur Taluk. I write to say that Government have carefully considered the request made therein and that they regret they see no sufficient reason to transfer these officers at this stage, when the enquiry is going on.

I return herewith Mr. Raju's letter, which is addressed to you.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Vepa Ramesam,
Chairman, Viduraswatha
Disturbances Enquiry Committee,
Bangalore.

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No. 4053/43

Dear Sir,

With reference to the letter of Sir Vepa Ramesam dated 30th May 1938 to the First Member of Council enclosing a letter in original of Mr. L.S.Raju suggesting the transfer of the District Supdt. of Police, Kolar and the Police Inspector, Goribidnur Taluk, I am desirous to request that Government may be favoured with the advice of the Committee as to whether, in the interests of the enquiry, they would recommend the transfers to be ordered.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Secy.

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before [?]
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K. Subba Rao, Esqr., B.A.,
Secretary, Viduraswatham Disturbances
Enquiry Committee, Bangalore.

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No. 4053/CS

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as to whether, in the interests of the enquiry, they
would recommend the transfers to be ordered.

Yours sincerely,

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K. Subba Rao, Esqr., B.A.,
Secretary, Viduravatham Disturbances
Enquiry Committee, Bangalore.

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VIDURASWATHA DISTURBANCES ENQUIRY COMMITTEE. (29)

K. SUBBA RAO, B.A.,
Secretary.

CENTRAL COLLEGE BUILDINGS,

Bangalore, dated...13th June.....1938.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your confidential D.O. No. 4053/
C.D. dated the 1st instant regarding the transfer of
certain police officers mentioned in Mr. L.S. Raju's
letter, I am desired to state that, in the opinion of
the Committee, it is expedient to transfer the officers
in question -- together or one by one.

Yours sincerely,

I Remember
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R. Subba Rao

17th 14/6
The Inspector & the Sub Inspector may be
transferred at once & the D S P
a few days later

H.V. Ramasvami, Esq., M.A., B.L.,
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

yes, after obtaining his
permission

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Dear Sir,

Government consider that it is expedient to transfer the Police Officers concerned with the recent disturbances at Viduraswatha with a view to create a favourable atmosphere for the work of the Committee appointed to enquire into the matter. I am, therefore, to request you to take early action to transfer the Inspector and the Sub Inspector of Police at once and also suggest proposals for the transfer of the District Superintendent of Police ~~the reafter.~~

Yours sincerely,

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F. A. Hamilton, Esq., C.I.E.,
Inspector ~~in~~ General of Police in Mysore.

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Copy to the Secy., V.D. Committee.

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17th June 1938

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Yours sincerely,

F. A. Hamilton, Esq., C.I.E.,
Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

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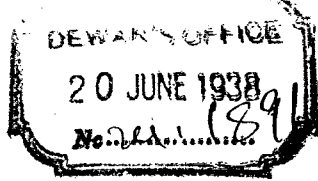
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Vasantha Mahal,

Mysore,

17th June 1938.

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My dear Mirza,

I am desirous to return herewith, after submission to His Highness the Maharaja, Mr. Ramaswamy's letter in regard to Mr. L.S. Raju's part in the proceedings of the Enquiry Committee on the 14th instant. I must confess that his whole conduct appears to be preposterous, but I have no doubt you were wise in acceding even to this request in order that there might be no possible ground for alleging prejudice, though I hope it will be made perfectly clear that the transfer involves no imputation on the character of the officers.

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Just. Member)

Yours sincerely,

G. S. Srinivas

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to the P.P.

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Mr. K. Ramaswami, B.A., B.L.,
Public Prosecutor on
Special Duty.

St. Martha's Hospital,
Bangalore.
Dated 14th June 1938.

RE. VIDURASWATHAM DISTURBANCES ENQUIRY.

Dear Sir,

*Sub for perusal
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Mr. Appaji Gowda was examined in chief and partly cross-examined till the lunch interval. When the Committee reassembled after lunch, the cross-examination was resumed by Mr. L. S. Raju and continued till 4 P.M. At that hour Mr. Raju submitted to the Committee that on account of the silence on the part of the Government to give a definite --

Mr reply in the matter of the transfer of certain officers, he, Mr. Raju was not in a position to further cross-examine Mr. Appaji Gowda. The reasons he stated was that on account of the non-transfer of the officers no body was coming forward to give ^{him} instructions to examine Mr. Appaji Gowda with regard to the alleged congress activities and their detrimental effects on the minds of the people in the Kolar District. Continuing, Mr. Raju submitted that although he has a long list of 430 witnesses he was unable to go on with the case and so compelled to retire from the conduct of the case. He pulled out a type-written sheet and read it before the Committee; wherein it was mentioned that although he had waited for an answer from the Government from the 30th of last month no reply had been received one way or the other about their prayer for the transfer of the District Superintendent of Police and the Inspector, that they had waited sufficiently long and that it was impossible for him to continue the thankless task of cross-examining the witnesses when no facilities had been created by Government. Thus saying, --

Mr. Raju sat down.

The Chairman at that stage intimated Mr. Raju that the Committee had sent up their recommendation only yesterday and the orders of the Government were awaited. The Committee was anxious to expedite the proceedings to enable Dr. De Souza to attend the Council of State. Instead of retiring from the case Mr. Raju could as well continue his cross-examination as before, as he would lose nothing by waiting till the Government orders were received.

No amount of persuasion would induce Mr. Raju to change his mind. He and his colleague Mr. Venkatapathia bundled up their papers

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and retired from the Hall amidst loud applause and cheers of the majority of the audience assembled there. Most of the spectators also left the Hall -- crying shame, shame etc. After a brief interval Mr. Appaji Gowda's examination was closed and the Committee desired the next witness to be examined. The only available witness was the District Superintendent of Police. I put him into the box when Mr. V. S. Sanjiva Rao stood up and requested the chairman to grant three days' adjournment to enable some other Advocate to appear on behalf of the public and cross-examine the witnesses. This request was refused by the Chairman who however promised to recall all the witnesses if some one appeared to conduct cross-examination.

The examination of Mr. Khaleel was then proceeded with when the Committee rose for the day.

The above is the brief account of the breeze and angry scene that took place in the Committee hall this afternoon. Mr. Raju's peroration containing his request for retirement appears to have been typed this -- morning and sent to press in advance. The ^{inference} information is ~~an~~ irresistible that the attitude assumed by Mr. Raju at 4 P.M. was a result of some pre-arranged idea. He and his colleague appear to have come to the Committee determined to leave it in the afternoon. A more graphic account of the scene created in the Committee's hall may, I am sure appear, in the Madras Mail as well as in the local papers under sensational head-lines.

It is hoped that the Committee will make suitable proposals to Government to work out the scheme of instituting this public enquiry and fulfilling the genuine intentions of the Government.

Yours sincerely,

K. Rama Rao

To

C. E. NORONHA, ESQ., M.A.,
Private Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore,
"Lake View", MYSORE.

D.O. No.

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F. A. HAMILTON, Esq., C.I.E.,

Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

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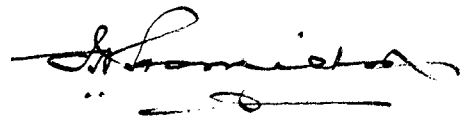
Dear Mr. Ramasvami,

With reference to your Confidential D.O.No.4296

C.B. of the 17th instant regarding transfer of the
Police Officers concerned in the recent disturbances
at Viduraswatha, I write to state that Mr. A.S.Khaleel,
may be transferred to Frenchrocks, Mr.R.Muthoji Rao Scindia,
to Tumkur and Mr. N. Puttarangaswami, to Kolar.

The transfers of the Inspector and the Sub-
Inspector are ^{ordered} passed and communicated to the District
Superintendents of Police concerned.

Yours sincerely,



To

H.V.Ramasvami, Esq., M.A.,B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
B A N G A L O R E.

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Notification

The following transfers
of officers are ordered in the
interests of the public Service:-

<u>Name of officer</u>	<u>From.</u>	<u>To.</u>
(1) Mr A.S. Khaleel B.A., B.L.	Superintendent of Police Kolar Dt.	Superintendent of Police French Rocks
(2) " R. Muthaji Rao Seindia BA	Superintendent of Police, French Rocks	Superintendent of Police Tumkur Dt.
(3) " R. Pullaranga swamy B.Sc.,	Superintendent of Police Tumkur Dt.	Superintendent of Police, Kolar Dt.

By order

Ch. Secy to Govt.

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Copy to the D. G. of Police
the Comptroller to Govt.,
the Secy, P. D. E. Committee
the Dy. Commr Kolar
" Tumkur
" Mysore.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No. 4314/ 43 3-32-44

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Dated Bangalore, 22nd June 1938

NOTIFICATION.

The following transfers of officers are ordered in the interests of the public service:-

<u>Name of Officer.</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
(1) Mr. A.S. Khaleel, B.A., B.L.,	Superintendent of Police, Kolar District.	Superintendent of Police, French Rocks.
(2) " R. Muthoji Rao Sindia, B.A.,	Superintendent of Police, French Rocks.	Superintendent of Police, Tumkur District.
(3) " N. Puttarangaswamy, B.Sc.,	Superintendent of Police, Tumkur District.	Superintendent of Police, Kolar District.

By order,

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Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.

K.m.R.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No. 4314/C.B. 3-37-44

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Dated Bangalore, 22nd June 1938

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(2) " R. Muthoji Rao Scindia, B.A.,	Superintendent of Police, French Rocks.	Superintendent of Police, Tumkur District.
(3) " N. Puttarangaswamy, B.Sc.,	Superintendent of Police, Tumkur District.	Superintendent of Police, Kolar District.

By order,


For Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.
K. M. R.

To

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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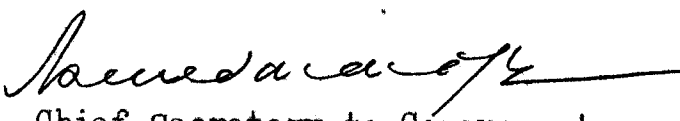
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By order,


for Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.
K. M. R.

To

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25th June 1938

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In continuation of my confidential D.O. letter No. 4296/C.B. dated 12th June 1938 regarding the transfer of certain officers of the Police Department in the Kolar District, I am desired to state that Government wish to make it clear that the transfer involves no imputation on the character of the said officers.

F.A. Hamilton, Esq., C.I.E.,
Inspector General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

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